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1. At the beginning of June 1950, 23 vessels were berthed in the shipbuilding slips at the DBSG Korneuburg shipyard. Included in this number are a Bulgarian motor ship which is now under construction and three Hungarian motor vessels and three Rumanian steamers which are being repaired. In addition, six freight barges are tied up at the main basin and 10 freight and tanker barges are being repaired at the Helling section of the Korneuburg yard.
2. The DBSG now employs a total of 1,400 workers at Korneuburg. DBSG employees attribute the size of this employment figure to the fact that the Soviets are using this shipyard almost exclusively for repairing their Danube vessels. They believe the Soviets favor this yard because it has access to certain ERP goods, namely electric motors, Diesel motor parts, pumps and rustproof paint. In contrast to shipyards in the Balkans which hire only Communists, the Korneuburg yard is well staffed with skilled workers and is, therefore, able to complete most projects with more efficiency and despatch.
3. The Soviets have increased the civilian Werkschutz at Korneuburg. A new company is now established at the upper end of the yard opposite the Pioneer Barracks. In order to keep unauthorized persons from approaching this area, the Soviets have not repaired any of the nearby bathing facilities.
4. The following figures represent the official value of DBSG property at the Korneuburg yard, which was most recently assessed on 1 January 1948:

Property	Schilling value
Workshops, barracks, and other buildings	17,800,000
Real estate	300,000
Machinery	5,200,000
Tools and other equipment	600,000
Total Assessed Value	23,900,000 *

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Command: The replacement value of the Korneuburg property is estimated at 26,400,000 schillings.

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